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I present for your consideration my ANNUAL
REPORT for 1949.

I am,

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Section 'A'

Social Conditions

Denton lies in the extreme South-East corner of Lancashire, 330 ft. above sea level. The River Tame, a tributary of the River Mersey, forms the southerly and easterly boundaries of the district and serves as the County boundary between Lancashire and Cheshire. On the northerly side it is bounded by the Urban District of Audenshaw, on the southerly side by the Urban District of Bredbury and Romiley, on the westerly side by the City of Manchester and the County Borough of Stockport and on the easterly side by the Borough of Hyde. The district is well planned and has four main highways radiating from the centre almost due North, South, East and West.

Houses in the district are mainly of the four and six roomed type and the condition and general soundness on the whole is fair. Rising dampness and defective roofs are the chief prevailing forms of defects. Approximately one half of the houses are built in terraces whilst the other half are of the semi or detached type with gardens front and rear and built during the past 20 years.

The district is principally industrial and residents are mainly employed in the manufacture of hats and processes incidental thereto. There are also engineering, accumulator, plastic and rubber works together with printing and other light industries. Large extensions are being undertaken to the plant of the North-Western Gas Board.

There is no reason to suspect that any particular occupation in the district has contributed to ill-health amongst employees.

General Statistics

Area (in acres)	2592.25
Population—Census 1931	17,384
Mid-1949 as supplied by Registrar General	25,270
Number of Houses—Census 1931	4,766
At end of 1948	8,442
Rateable value	£130,317
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£505

Vital Statistics

		M	F	TOTAL
LIVE BIRTHS :	Legitimate	..... 193	195	388
	Illegitimate	..... 8	8	16
		<hr/> 201	<hr/> 203	<hr/> 404

Birth Rate 17.4
England and Wales 16.7

STILLBIRTHS :	Legitimate	..... 4	3	7
	Illegitimate -	-	-
		<hr/> 4	<hr/> 3	<hr/> 7

Rate per 1000 (Live
and Still) Births 17

DEATHS :	.....	137	142	279
	Crude Death Rate...		11.0	
	England and Wales		11.7	

INFANT DEATHS :	Legitimate	..... 9	3	12
	Illegitimate	..... -	1	1
		<hr/> 9	<hr/> 4	<hr/> 13

Deaths of all infants per 1000 live Births 32
Deaths legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births..... 31
Deaths illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births 63

MATERNAL DEATHS :	Deaths	Rate per 1000 Total (Live and Stillbirths)
From Puerperal Sepsis	Nil	
From other Maternal causes	Nil	Nil

VITAL STATISTICS

	Per 1000 of Estimated Population.			Maternal Mortality Rate		Rate of Deaths under one yr. per 1000 live Births
	Live Birth rate	Crude Death rate	Death Rate from Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	Death Rate from Cancer	Per 1000 live births	
Mean of 5 years 1944—1948	19.7	11.9	0.39	1.74	1.27	41
Year—1948..	17.4	10.4	0.35	1.65	Nil	36
1949...	16.0	*11.0	0.24	1.78	Nil	32
Increase or decrease on 5 yrs						
Average(1944—1948)	-3.7	-0.9	-0.15	+0.04	-1.27	- 9
Previous year	-1.4	+0.6	-0.11	+0.13	Nil	- 4

* 1949 adjusted Death Rate (comparability factor, 1.09) = 12.0 per 1000

Population, Birth, Death and Infant Mortality Rates to 1949

Year	Population	No. of Births	Birth Rate	No. of Deaths	Death Rate	No. of Infant- Deaths	Infantile Mortal- ity Rate per 1000 births
1902		422	27.7	242	15.9	67	158
1903	Census	387	24.5	226	14.7	70	180
1904	1901	388	25.0	246	15.2	74	190
1905	14,934	336	21.5	230	14.7	63	187
1906		399	25.4	259	16.5	54	135
1907	15,811	352	22.2	215	13.5	34	96
1908	15,983	392	24.5	215	13.4	41	104
1909	16,122	391	24.2	244	15.1	51	130
1910	16,319	439	26.9	195	11.9	43	97
1911	16,931	385	22.7	256	15.1	57	148
1912	17,049	364	21.3	248	14.5	54	148
1913	17,189	359	20.8	252	14.6	52	144
1914	17,344	366	21.1	225	12.9	44	120
1915	17,481	328	18.7	255	14.8	48	146
1916	17,554	295	16.2	244	14.5	32	108
1917	17,608	290	16.5	216	13.7	20	68
1918	17,649	251	14.4	254	16.4	17	67
1919	17,642	293	16.4	205	11.9	24	81
1920	17,786	394	22.0	204	11.4	36	91
1921	18,020	351	19.4	217	12.0	34	96
1922	17,950	281	15.6	220	12.2	27	96
1923	17,970	311	17.3	216	12.0	25	80
1924	17,900	263	14.6	212	11.8	30	114
1925	17,770	289	16.2	218	12.2	27	93
1926	17,150	232	13.5	240	13.9	24	103
1927	17,010	212	12.4	195	11.4	19	89
1928	17,600	226	12.8	208	11.8	12	53
1929	17,750	217	12.2	300	16.9	21	96
1930	17,750	212	11.9	220	12.3	11	51
1931	17,580	203	11.5	221	12.5	14	68
1932	17,620	193	10.9	244	13.8	14	72
1933	17,870	199	11.1	231	12.9	16	80
1934	18,270	192	10.5	205	11.2	13	67
1935	18,770	277	14.7	228	12.1	17	61
1936	19,670	253	12.8	273	13.8	22	86
1937	21,090	351	16.6	264	12.5	20	56
1938	21,700	345	15.8	296	13.6	15	43
1939	22,830	353	15.5	290	12.7	17	47
1940	23,050	407	17.6	338	14.6	27	66
1941	22,970	349	15.1	313	13.6	12	33
1942	22,590	433	18.7	290	12.8	18	42
1943	22,400	481	21.4	289	12.9	28	58
1944	22,560	457	20.2	277	12.3	19	42
1945	22,680	421	18.5	291	12.8	18	42
1946	24,030	462	19.2	293	12.1	19	41
1947	24,770	572	23.0	296	11.9	24	41
1948	25,380	443	17.4	265	10.4	16	36
1949	25,270	404	16.0	279	11.0	13	32

Deaths

*The following table shows the chief causes of death
during the year*

	M	F
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	1	—
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	4	2
Other forms of Tuberculosis	1	1
Influenza	1	3
Measles	1	—
Acute Infectious Encephalitis	—	1
Cancer of the Buc.Cav.and Oesoph(M) Uterus(F)	3	1
Cancer of Stomach and Duodenum	6	3
Cancer of Breast	—	4
Cancer all other sites	16	12
Diabetes	1	1
Intracranial Vascular Lesions	6	17
Heart Disease	49	61
Other Diseases of the Circulatory System	2	6
Bronchitis	15	9
Pneumonia	4	—
Other Respiratory Diseases	1	—
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	—	3
Diarrhœa under 2yrs.	3	1
Appendicitis	1	—
Other Digestive Diseases	—	2
Nephritis	3	1
Premature Birth	2	—
Congenital Malformations, Birth Injury and Infantile Disease	3	2
Suicide	1	1
Other Violent Causes	1	1
All other Causes	12	10
	137	142

Section 'B'

General Provision of Health Services

Laboratory Facilities

Pathological and bacteriological work is carried out at the Manchester Regional Public Health Laboratory.

The following table gives details of examinations made during the year—

	Diphtheria		Tuberculosis Bovine Milk		Water Bacterio- logical
	Total	+	Total	+	
January	4	—	—	—	—
February	2	—	2	—	—
March	2	—	5	—	1
April	4	—	4	—	1
May	1	—	2	—	15
June	4	—	—	—	4
July	3	—	3	—	3
August	1	—	3	1	3
September	4	—	5	—	1
October	1	—	4	1	5
November	2	—	2	—	1
December	—	—	4	1	—
	28	—	34	3	34

Various Investigations

Nature	Number of Samples
Milk for Methylene Blue and Coli	26
Milk for Phosphatase, etc. Tests (Heat Treated Milk)	14
Ice Cream for Methylene Blue and Coli	60
Lollipops for " " "	9
Fæces for Dysentery Organisms	43
Agglutination Tests (Typhoid Fever, etc)	3
Proprietary Foods	2

Designated Milk

Methylene Blue and Coli	28
Tuberculosis	18

Hospitals

There are no hospitals in the district but the Manchester Regional Hospital Board provides facilities for residents as follows—

- (a) *General Medical and Surgical*—Patients are treated in or at hospitals in the neighbouring districts of Ashton-under-Lyne, Manchester and Stockport,
- (b) *Tuberculosis*—Visitation at home, dispensary and sanatorium treatment is provided for all known cases of Tuberculosis.
- (c) *Infectious Disease*—The majority of cases are sent for isolation and treatment to the Hyde Isolation Hospital.
- (d) *Maternity*—Cases are admitted to the Lake Hospital, Ashton-under-Lyne or St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester.

Local Authority Services

The Lancashire County Council as the Local Health Authority for the area provides the following services through the medium of Health Division, No. 17 of which Denton is a constituent district—

1. Maternity and Child Welfare
2. School Medical Services
3. Midwifery
4. Health Visiting
5. Home Nursing
6. Vaccination and Immunisation
7. Ambulance Services
8. Prevention of Illness, Care and After care
9. Domestic Help
10. Mental Health
11. Health Education and Propaganda

The Medical Officer locally responsible for the above Divisional Health Service is—

DR. ALAN S. SIMPSON,
Divisional Medical Officer,
Divisional Health Offices,
St. Michael's Square,
Ashton-under-Lyne.

Section 'C'

Sanitary circumstances of the Area

Water Supply

The whole of the district is supplied from mains of the Manchester Corporation. The supply is constant and generally of good quality. Persistent unsatisfactory samples in one area resulted in the necessity of re-laying a 4in. water main. Until the completion of the Thirlmere Aqueduct economy in the use of water is necessary, especially during periods of drought. Samples for analysis were submitted as follows—

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Bacteriological	22	10

Drainage and Sewerage

The drainage of the district is on the partially separate system. A comprehensive scheme in connection with sewerage and sewage disposal is at present under construction, and during the year defective sewers have been replaced with new and larger ones in Town Lane, Stockport Road, Heaton Street and Mount Pleasant Road. Considerable extensions are being undertaken at the Sewage Disposal Works consisting of new percolating filters, humus tanks, sludge drying beds and sludge digestion tanks. A new pre-stressed concrete bridge has been erected in connection with these extensions across the River Tame. Erection of the Laburnum Road Pumping Station was nearing completion at the end of the year.

Closet Accommodation

Pail Closets.....	14
Fresh Water Closets	8989
Waste Water Closets	249
Trough Closets	14

A Scheme has been submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval to convert the remaining 249 waste water closets to fresh water closets.

Public Cleansing

Domestic refuse is collected in 1 x 9 cubic yard and 2 x 7 cubic yard motor vehicles fitted with steel sliding shutters and bodies and disposed of by controlled tipping.

8555 dustbins were in use at the end of the year, involving the removal of 3615 loads of domestic refuse, 245 loads of salvage and 109 loads of trade waste. 322 new dustbins were supplied by the Council during the year. Street cleansing in the district is under the direction of the Engineer and Surveyor. $4\frac{1}{4}$ miles of main road and 21.72 miles of other roads are cleansed manually, but it is expected that a mechanical sweeper will be put into commission during 1950.

Salvage

The collection of salvage continued throughout the year despite the drastic fall in waste paper prices following the withdrawal of control and direction by the Board of Trade and details of materials collected are as follows:—

	tons	cwts.	qrs.
Paper.....	177	0	2
Kitchen Waste	151	18	1
Bottles, Jar, etc.	5	10	—
Sacking, Rags, etc.	1	3	1

Income for 1949.....	£1,253 0s. 0d.
„ „ period 1939—1949.....	£12,421 0s. 0d.

Sanitary Inspections of the Area

Cinemas	4
Drainage	348
Factories and Workshops	224
Interviews with agents, owners, etc. of property	311
Infectious Disease	193
Petroleum Acts	32
Rats and Mice	248
Refuse Collection.....	494
Refuse Disposal	312
Public Conveniences	248
School Yards and Lavatories	10
Smoke Observations	69
Salvage	4
Verminous Premises	56
Water Supply	40

Result of action in regard to defects or nuisances

Ceilings repaired	14
Chimney stacks pointed or repaired	7
Damp proof courses renewed	12
Doors repaired	10
Drains released or repaired	64
Dustbins renewed	228
Eavesgutters repaired	42
Floors repaired	24
Fireplaces and kitchen ranges repaired	24
Offensive accumulations removed	2
Rainwater pipes repaired	19
Roofs repaired	68
Sinks repaired	1
Sink waste pipes repaired	13
Skirting boards repaired	4
Staircases repaired	1
Walls pointed	36
Walls rebuilt	4
Walls replastered	19
Wash boilers repaired	5
W.C. cisterns repaired	7
W.C. pedestals renewed	6
Water supply pipes repaired	9
Window frames and sash cords repaired	47
Yard walls and surfaces repaired	9
Miscellaneous repairs	33

Notices

	<i>Served</i>		<i>Complied with</i>	
	<i>Informal</i>	<i>Statutory</i>	<i>Informal</i>	<i>Statutory</i>
Public Health Act, 1936.....	283	100	294	102
Housing Act 1936	189	81	206	96

Shops and Offices

Frequent visits to shops and offices have been made and in one instance an additional sanitary convenience was provided.

Camping Sites

There are no licensed sites in the area. Four caravans were removed from waste ground after interview with the occupiers.

Smoke Abatement

The emission of black smoke is limited to two minutes per half hour. 69 observations were made during the year. In order to obviate black smoke co-operation with industry has been made, and plans have been submitted for a new boiler plant costing £30,000 at one factory and advice and instructions given to stokers at other plants.

Eradication of Bugs

During the year 12 houses were found to be infested with bugs and were appropriately dealt with. D.D.T. solution and sulphur-dioxide are used with efficiency for this purpose. Fumigation of furniture in cases of suspected infestation is employed for ensuring that the belongings of tenants are free from vermin before removing into council houses. The work of disinfestation is carried out by the Council.

Schools

Sanitary conditions are satisfactory at all schools with the exception of St. Mary's C. of E. where the building is badly lit and the closet accommodation unsatisfactory and in need of conversion to fresh water closets. The school yard is also unpaved.

Inspections **Factories Act 1937**

For purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors)

Premises (1)	Number on Register (3)	Inspections (4)	Number of written Notices prosecuted (5)	Occupiers (6)
(I) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities ...	15	5	—	
(II) Factories not included in (i) to which Section 7 applies ...	139	119	7	
(III) Other premises under the Act (excluding out-workers premises) ...	1	—	—	
Total ...	155	124	7	

Cases in which defects were found

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found			
	Found (3)	Remedied (4)	Referred to H.M. Inspector (5)	by H.M. Inspector (6)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)				
Overcrowding (S.2) ...				
Unreasonable temp. (S.3)				
Inadequate vent. (S.4) ...				
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) ...				
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)				
(a) insufficient ...	2	5	—	5
(b) unsuitable or defective	3	4	—	3
(c) not separate for sexes	1	1	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) ...				
Total ...	6	10	—	8

Outwork

(Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work. (1)	No. of outworkers in August list required by Sect. 110(1)(C) (3)
Wearing Apparel Making etc....	24

Section 'D'

Housing Statistics

	Traditional Permanent houses
1. Number of new houses erected during the year by the Local Authority	96
2. By other local authorities	16
3. By other bodies or persons	6

Inspection of Dwelling houses during the year

1. (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health Act or Housing Acts)	992
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	1382
2. (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub- head (1) above) which were inspected and re- corded under the Housing Consolidated Regula- tions, 1925 and 1932	397
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	663
3. Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
4. Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive to those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	472

Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices :

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers... ..	500
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Action under statutory powers during the year :

(a) Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs...	81

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :	
(a) By owners	93
(b) By local authority in default of owners...	3
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	100
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :	
(a) By owners	98
(b) By local authority in default of owners...	4
(c) Proceedings under sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :	
1. Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which demolition orders were made	11
2. Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of demolition order ...	11
(d) Proceedings under section 12 of the Housing Act 1936	Nil
4. Housing Act, 1936—Part IV—Overcrowding.	
(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of year	418
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein ...	760
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein ...	2280
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	113
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	126
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	576

Section 'E'

Inspection and Supervision of Food

Milk Supply

There were 19 cowkeepers on the register at the end of the year including 5 dairy farms. The number of registered dairymen or milk purveyors was 67. Six of the cow keepers are licensed by the Lancashire County Council for the production of Accredited Milk and 2 for the production of Tuberculin Tested Milk.

Under the provisions of the Milk and Dairies Acts, Orders and Regulations, 26 dealers' licences (including supplementary licences) were issued, 10 in respect of Tuberculin Tested milk, 5 in respect of Accredited milk and 11 in respect of Pasteurised milk.

Milk Sampling

	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	Total
Methylene Blue and B. Coli. ...	19	7	26
Phosphatase Test ...	12	2	14
Tuberculosis ...	31	3	34

Samples of designated milk were taken on behalf of the Lancashire County Council as follows :—

	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	Total
Methylene Blue and B. Coli. ...	14	14	28
Tuberculosis ...	18	—	18

Meat and Other Foods

Shops, hawkers' carts, market stalls, etc., are inspected by the Sanitary Inspectors, who also inspect cattle etc., slaughtered at the Ministry of Food No. 2, Depot, Stockport. This Depot supplies meat for five areas and a rota system is in force for the purpose of meat inspection. The following table

indicates the number of carcasses inspected and quantity of meat condemned by the Councils' Sanitary Inspectors.

			Cattle exclu- ding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	...	...	574	553	259	4209	65
Number inspected	...	...	574	553	259	4209	65
All diseases except Tubercu- losis—whole carcasses con- demned	...	...	—	1	3	2	—
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned			267	249	1	126	5
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuber- culosis	...	...	46.5	46.8	.39	2.99	7.7
Tuberculosis only — whole carcasses condemned	...		3	25	2	—	—
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned			108	293	—	—	4
Percentage of number in- spected affected with Tu- berculosis	...	...	18.8	53.5	.77	—	6.1

Weight of Meat and other Foods Condemned

				Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Bovine	...	...	...	16	15	3	6
Porcine	...	...	...	—	5	0	22
Sheep	...	...	...	—	2	2	6
Veal	...	...	...	—	1	0	3
Tinned Foods	...	...	...	—	6	2	21
Miscellaneous Food	...	...	...	2	0	1	8

Inspection of Food Premises

Bake-houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	86
Butcher's Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	222
Cowsheds	...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Dairies and Milkshops	...	...	...	...	...	...	49
Fishmongers and Poulterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	40
Food Preparation Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	161
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Hawkers' Carts	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Ice Cream Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	61
Market Stalls	...	...	...	...	...	...	374
Piggeries	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	82
Tripe Boilers	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Sundry Food Investigations	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	80
Vehicles :							
Bread	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Meat	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Milk	...	...	...	...	...	...	39

Clean Food Campaign

Lectures, demonstrations and a film display were given to encourage cleanliness in the food trade and in consequence the Council have been requested by local traders to form a Clean Food Association.

Section 'F'

Prevalence of and control over Infectious and other Diseases

482 notifications of infectious disease were received during the year as compared with 312 in 1948.

Towards the end of the year there was a minor epidemic of Scarlet Fever, the number of cases notified (119) being the second highest recorded during the past 25 years. The disease was particularly prevalent amongst children of the 5-10 years age group and chiefly confined to two schools. Forty-two cases were removed to hospital.

Measles accounted for approximately 50% of the total cases of infectious disease. There was one death, the first since 1941.

One case of food poisoning was notified. The illness was mild and the patient recovered after hospital treatment. *S. typhi murium* was isolated but extensive investigations failed to trace the food involved.

The number of tuberculosis notifications received was the lowest for the past 20 years.

80 houses and 15 schools were disinfected following infectious disease.

Tables I and II summarise the cases of infectious disease occurring during 1949 together with the relevant deaths, and table III portrays the incidence during the past 25 years.

TABLE I

Cases of Infectious Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) notified during 1949

	Total cases	0-	1-	3-	5-	10-	15-	25-	45-	65 and over	Total Deaths	Cases removed to Hospital	Deaths in Hospital
Scarlet Fever ...	119	1	13	21	74	8	1	1	—	—	—	42	—
Diphtheria ...	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Measles ...	236	10	71	75	78	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Whooping Cough ...	80	7	28	22	21	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Acute Pneumonia ...	17	—	—	3	1	—	1	—	10	2	4	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Cerebro-Spinal ...	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ...	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas ...	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—
Malaria ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning ...	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
	465	20	113	121	176	10	5	2	15	3	6	47	2

TABLE II
Tuberculosis
New cases and Mortality during 1949

Age Periods	New cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Years :—								
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1—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
5—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
10—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
20—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25—	2	3	—	—	1	—	—	—
35—	—	1	—	—	1	2	—	—
45—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55—	4	—	—	—	2	—	1	—
65—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
75 and upwards	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Totals	9	6	—	2	4	2	1	1
	15		2		6		2	

All houses are disinfected after removal of a tubercular person and bedding and personal belongings subjected to steam disinfection as and when desired. Structural defects in houses, particularly regarding ventilation, are given immediate attention, and any case known to be sharing a bedroom is given priority in re-housing.

No action was necessary under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, relating to tuberculous persons in the milk trade.

TABLE III

Infectious Disease Notifications during the past 25 years

	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949
Smallpox	...	65	50	32	90	85	1	33	35	48	33	70	57	108	68	23	59	123	58	51	64	28	34	29	119
Scarlet Fever	...109	21	15	21	14	11	85	63	15	45	34	17	97	34	17	6	26	10	5	2	1	2	—	1	1
Diphtheria	...31	—	—	—	—	—	1	20	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	...1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Pneumonia	...34	47	40	35	49	21	32	41	30	11	15	24	16	19	1	97	276	273	87	202	405	164	378	138	236
Puerperal Pyrexia	...1	3	1	1	3	3	2	2	3	2	1	1	—	5	36	56	36	30	26	43	12	127	27	102	80
Cerebro Spinal Fever	...	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	17
Acute Poliomyelitis	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	9	3	2	—	2	—	1	—	3
Encephalitis Lethargica	...4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	3	—
Dysentery	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...3	1	—	—	1	1	2	28	1	—	5	—	—	8	1	2	1	1	1	2	20	4	2	—	1
Erysipelas	...11	14	7	14	9	15	11	10	14	13	8	6	12	13	4	4	2	7	8	11	15	9	4	4	5
Malaria	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Food Poisoning	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculosis:	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pulmonary	...15	25	17	10	11	20	14	11	17	11	19	14	28	18	21	20	24	24	27	18	20	26	15	23	15
Non-Pulmonary	...5	21	12	7	3	3	11	12	4	7	13	12	14	10	6	4	6	7	14	8	6	5	11	3	2
Total	...214	200	142	122	180	161	169	147	119	138	129	144	224	219	156	690	497	511	300	367	563	393	504	312	482

